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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Nebraska had a warm, dry, windy week. Temperatures averaged from four to eight degrees above normal for the week and reached into the 80's on Tuesday and Wednesday. A few very light showers fell near the end of the week.

CROPS Harvest operations accelerated as favorable weather prevailed all week. Damp weather in some areas Saturday halted combining, but machines were operating again on Sunday.

Corn combining and picking is 45 percent complete compared to 55 percent normal. This lag can be partially attributed to the moisture content of grain remaining too high for safe immediate storage. The average moisture in the corn was 19 percent. Losses from stalk rot and downed ears are becoming evident as farmers move through the fields.

Grain sorghum harvest neared the 80 percent mark and is near normal. Favorable weather dried the grain down to 14 percent. Some lodging from wind made combine pickup attachments necessary.

Soybean combining is nearing completion with 95 percent of the fields cut. Moisture content of the beans was about 12 percent.

Top soils are dry in portions of the southwest and Panhandle but most wheat is in good to excellent condition with well developed roots. Sugar beet digging is nearing completion with good yields and sugar content reported.

Range and pasture feed conditions are below average in the northeast and southwest. Dry conditions in the southwest are causing winter range grasses to become brittle and less palatable. Feed grain, hay and forage supplies are below average in the northeast. Some winter wheat and stalk fields are being pastured.

Livestock condition was generally good but some shipping fever was reported.

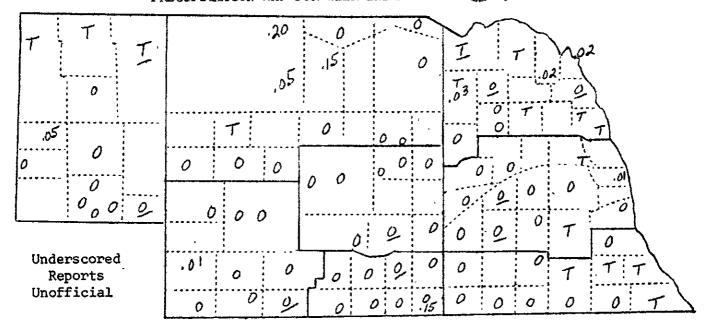
Calves and some cows are moving from pastures into marketing channels.

Feeder sales are quite active.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 3, 1968

<u>East</u>		Central		West	
Grand Island	.02	Burwell	0	Chadron	Т
Lincoln	.10	North Platte	T	Imperial	.01
Norfolk	T	Valentine	. 24	Scottsbluff	.05
Omaha	T			Sidney	0
Sioux City	T			-	

PRECIPITION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBED 1, 1968



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m., CST)

		October							November						
		28th		29th		30th		31st		lst		2nd		3rd	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min .	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	74	36	88	37	82	44	62	28	58	28	57	26	68	32
****	Scottsbluff	76	34	82	36	80	43	60	26	57	32	53	32	66	37
	Sidney	74	35	82	37	82	44	59	26	58	35	55	25	58	30
NC	Burwell	59	34	84	32	86	32	67	30	64	38	47	22	56	36
NC	Valentine	63	32	82	36	86	34	64	. 32	61	38	55	33	64	34
ATT!	Norfolk	50	30	78	38	75	40	72	42	64	37	49	22	54	40
NE	Norroik Siốux' City	49	30	64	37	76	46	79	45	65	34	51	25	58	39
	_			83	41	78 '	45	71	41	66	43	46	29	53	38
CEN	Grand Island	57 53	34		40	82	61	78	46	67	42	46	30	55	38
EC	Lincoln	53	38	,76			-		45	66	39	49	32	55	36
	Omaha	48	33	66	42	75	60	79		4				63	31
SW	Imperial	. 77	41	89	38	85		65	33	63	41	51	18		
	North Platte	'66 [°]	28	82	31	86	29	68	26	62	38	48	21	61	34

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